

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS LUFKIN DIVISION

PRE-TRIAL ORDER

This case is set for **Final Pre-Trial** on June 11, 2019, at 10:00 a.m., in Jack Brooks District Courthouse, Beaumont, Texas, before Judge Hawthorn and **Jury Selection** and **Trial** on June 24, 2019, at 10:00 a.m.¹ in Lufkin, Texas before Judge Clark.

The following deadlines shall apply in this case.

May 21, 2019 Any motion for continuance shall be filed with the court.

¹Counsel should be prepared to try this case on this date. Cases will be tried in order with other cases on the docket. (Depending on the disposition of other cases on the court's docket, jury selection may be the following week. The court will notify counsel as soon as possible if this is necessary.)

May 23, 2019	Parties shall file any pretrial motions not specifically listed in this order.
May 28, 2019	Counsel for the government shall deliver to counsel for the the defendant(s) proposed jury instructions.
May 28, 2019	Pursuant to the holding in <i>United States of America v. Ellis</i> , 547 F.2d 863 (5 th Cir. 1977) the parties shall notify the court of any plea agreement. Notification shall be by hand delivery or fax of a signed copy of the plea agreement. No plea agreement entered into after the deadline shall be honored by the court without good cause shown.
May 30, 2019	Parties shall file any responses to pretrial motions.
June 1, 2019	If the parties do not notify the court of a plea agreement as provided above, defense counsel shall deliver to counsel for the government any additional jury instructions desired by defendants. If two or more defendants are represented by separate counsel, their submission should be made jointly.
June 5, 2019	Counsel for defendant(s) and counsel for the government shall confer to determine which jury instructions can be agreed to.
June 5, 2019	Parties shall file any motions in limine.
June 7, 2019	Counsel for the government and counsel for the defendant(s) shall:

- A. Jointly file agreed upon instructions;
- B. Each file their desired proposed instructions which were not agreed upon, citing the authority for each instruction;
- C. Each file any objections to the other's proposed jury instructions.

 Objections must be written, specific, cite authority, and include any alternate instructions counsel deem more appropriate; and
- D. If counsel believes that a written response to a particular motion in limine is needed, file it.²

Any party seeking to file proposed jury instructions after the deadline may do so only with leave of the court.

All exhibits to be used for trial shall be pre-marked numerically and in succession. (Groups of exhibits pertaining to the same subject, such as photos of the same scene may, at counsel's discretion, be numbered and lettered, *ie* 2a, 2b, 2c, etc.) Prior to the start of a party's case in chief, that party shall provide opposing counsel and the court a list of witnesses and a list of exhibits anticipated to be introduced during the case in chief, and a copy of each marked exhibit.

SIGNED this 2nd day of May, 2019.

Zack Hawthorn

United States Magistrate Judge

²This is not an invitation or requirement to file written responses. Most motions in limine can be decided without a written response. But, if briefing is needed on a particularly difficult or novel issue the court needs some time to review the matter.